UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE SAWTOOTH NATIONAL FOREST - SAWTOOTH NATIONAL RECREATION AREA BOISE NATIONAL FOREST - IDAHO CITY RANGER DISTRICT

AREA CLOSURE

Little Queens Fire – Version #2
For Public Safety

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50 (a) and (b), the following act is prohibited on all lands as described in this order, all within the Sawtooth National Recreation Area, Sawtooth National Forest and Idaho City Ranger District, Boise National Forest. This order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until further notice.

- 1. Going into or being upon the area, as described in this order. 36 CFR 261.52(e)
- 2. Being on the road (as described below). 36 CFR 261.54(e)
- 3. Being on the trail (as described below). 36 CFR 261.55(a)

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- 1. Persons with a special use authorization or other Forest Service authorization specifically exempting them from the effect of this order;
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty;
- 3. Federal or State administrative personnel in the performance of an official duty.

AREA DESCRIPTION:

The Little Queens Fire Closure Area (including all roads and trails within the area) is described as: all National Forest System (NFS) Lands beginning at the Southern tip of the Sawtooth Wilderness located at Township 5 North, Range 12 East, Section 16; continuing Southerly, then Westerly, then Northwesterly along the Boise and Sawtooth National Forests boundary line to NFS Road #126 (James Creek Road) located at Township 5 North, Range 10 East, Section 23; continuing Westerly across NFS Road #126 and along the Mountain Home and Idaho City Ranger District boundary to NFS Road #156 (Phifer Creek Road) located at Township 5 North, Range 9 East, Section 14; continuing Northerly along (and excluding) NFS Road #156 to NFS Road #268 (aka Middle Fork Boise River Road) at Township 6 North, Range 9 East, Section Line 35; continuing Northerly across NFS Road #268 to NFS Road 327, located at Township 6 North, Range 9 East, Section 35, then continuing North and East along (and excluding) NFS Road 327 to the NFS Road 327 bridge (near Deer Park) located at Township 7 North, Range 9 East, Section 28, then continuing Easterly along the Southern edge of the North Fork of the Boise River to the Boise National Forest and Sawtooth Wilderness boundary, located at Township 8 North, Range 10 East, Section 27, continuing Northerly along the Sawtooth Wilderness boundary to Township 9 North, Range 10 East, Section 23, continuing along the Sawtooth Wilderness Boundary East and South to Boise County and Elmore County Line at Township 9 North, Range 11

East, Section 21, continuing South and West along the Boise County and Elmore County Line to the Boise, Elmore, and Custer County line intersection at Township 7 North, Range 13 East, Section 7; continuing Southerly along the Elmore County line back to the point of origin.

Graham Road is described as the portion of NFS Road 312 beginning at its junction with NFS Road 385 (Banner Creek Road) located at Township 8 North, Range 8 East, Section 32 and ending at the roads termini.

North Fork Boise River Trail is described as all of NFS Trail #057. **Bear River Trail** is described as all of NFS Trail #171.

The above described area, road, and trails (including all roads and trails within the area) are located on National Forest System lands within the administrative and proclaimed boundaries of the Sawtooth National Recreation Area, Sawtooth National Forest and the Idaho City Ranger District, Boise National Forest, within Boise and Elmore Counties, Idaho, Boise Meridian.

PURPOSE:

The area as described above has ongoing wildfire activity (Little Queens Fire). This area is closed for public safety and protection from hazards associated with wildfire.

IMPLEMENTATION:

- 1. This order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until further notice.
- 2. A map identifying the closure area is attached and made part of this order.
- 3. Violation of the above prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual, or \$10,000.00 for an organization, and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months. 16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3571 (b)(6), 3581 (b)(7).
- 4. This order supersedes any previous order(s) prohibiting the same, or similar acts prohibited by this order in the areas (and/or roads, trails) covered by this order.
- 5. Further information regarding this order may be obtained at the Stanley Ranger Station, located in Stanley, ID, telephone number (208) 774-3000, at the Sawtooth National Recreation Area Headquarters located near Ketchum, ID, telephone number (208) 727-5000, at the Sawtooth National Forest Supervisors Office in Twin Falls, ID, telephone number (208) 737-3200, at the Idaho City Ranger District located in Idaho City, ID, telephone number (208) 392-6681, and at the Boise National Forest Supervisor's Office in Boise, ID, telephone number (208)-373-4100.

Done at Twin Falls, Idaho this <u>19th</u> day of August, 2013.

Done at Boise, Idaho this <u>19th</u> day of August, 2013.

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